

District of Columbia and John Hiatt, of Nevada.

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PERMITTING THE COLLECTION OF CLOTHING, TOYS, FOOD, AND HOUSEWARES

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 723, which was submitted earlier today by Senators McConnell and Reid.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 723) to permit the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 723) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 723

Resolved,

SECTION 1. COLLECTION OF CLOTHING, TOYS, FOOD, AND HOUSEWARES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN SENATE BUILDINGS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of the rules or regulations of the Senate—

(1) a Senator, officer, or employee of the Senate may collect from another Senator, officer, or employee of the Senate within Senate buildings nonmonetary donations of clothing, toys, food, and housewares for charitable purposes related to serving those in need or members of the Armed Services and their families during the holiday season, if such purposes do not otherwise violate any rule or regulation of the Senate or of Federal law; and

(2) a Senator, officer, or employee of the Senate may work with a nonprofit organization with respect to the delivery of donations described in paragraph (1).

(b) EXPIRATION.—The authority provided by this resolution shall expire at the end of the 110th Congress.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2008

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10:30 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, December 9; that following the prayer and pledge, the Jour-

nal of proceedings be approved to date, that the morning hour be deemed expired, that the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and that the Senate proceed to a period of morning business until 12 noon, with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each, and that following morning business the Senate resume the motion to proceed to S. 3297.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:30 TOMORROW

Mr. CARDIN. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:14 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at 10:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

BRAD COLE, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2012, VICE TOM OSBORNE, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHERYL FELDMAN HALPERN, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SIXTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

ROSZELL DULANY HUNTER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION, VICE JOHN A. SIMON, RESIGNED.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be colonel

DEBRA H. BURTON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be colonel

VANESSA A. BERRY
KEVIN M. BOYLE
TIMOTHY J. CODY
JOSEPH C. FETTERMAN
BRIAN J. GODARD
PATRICIA A. HAM
JOHN S. IRGENS
MARK L. JOHNSON
PAUL E. KANTWILL
JONATHAN A. KENT
CLAES H. LEWENHAUPT
JAMES M. PATTERSON
JEFFERY D. PEDERSEN
DAVID H. ROBERTSON
MARTIN L. SIMS
MICHAEL L. SMIDT
STEPHANIE L. STEPHENS
MARK TELLITOCCHI
WALTER S. WEEDMAN
PAUL S. WILSON
GREGORY G. WOODS
SCOTT F. YOUNG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be lieutenant colonel

ROBERT A. BORCHERING
ROBERT A. BROADBENT
ERIC R. CARPENTER
CHRISTOPHER D. CARRIER
DANA J. CHASE

JOHN H. COOK
MICHAEL S. DEVINE
RICHARD P. DIMEGLIO
TIERNAN P. DOLAN
MARK E. EICHELMAN
DEIDRA J. FLEMING
JOHN S. FROST, JR.
PATRICK L. GARY
LANCE S. HAMILTON
DONNA C. HANSEN
STEPHEN L. HARMS
PETER R. HAYDEN
BRIAN A. HUGHES
RUSSELL K. JACKSON
JOHN P. JURDEN
ELIZABETH KUBALA
KATHERINE A. LEHMANN
JULIE A. LONG
DION LYONS
ELIZABETH G. MAROTTA
ALISON C. MARTIN
JEFFREY A. MILLER
JOSEPH B. MORSE
JOHN T. RAWCLIFFE
TRAVIS L. ROGERS
CARLOS O. SANTIAGO
DANIEL P. SAUMUR
JOSHUA S. SHUEY
DANIEL A. TANABE
JAMES J. TEIXEIRA, JR.
PETER H. TRAN
JAMES S. TRIPP
MARK A. VISGER
DOUGLAS K. WATKINS
WARREN L. WELLS
DEAN L. WHITFORD
DARYL B. WITHERSPOON
MICHAEL C. WONG

DISCHARGED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of the following nomination and the nomination was referred sequentially to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs pursuant to an order of 01/09/2007:

NEIL M. BAROFSKY, OF NEW YORK, TO BE SPECIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE TROUBLED ASSET RELIEF PROGRAM.

The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of the following nomination and the nomination was confirmed:

NEIL M. BAROFSKY, OF NEW YORK, TO BE SPECIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE TROUBLED ASSET RELIEF PROGRAM.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of the following nomination and the nomination was confirmed:

FOREIGN SERVICE NOMINATION OF DAVID J. STRAWMAN, TO BE CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, AND CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate Monday, December 8, 2008:

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

NEIL M. BAROFSKY, OF NEW YORK, TO BE SPECIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE TROUBLED ASSET RELIEF PROGRAM.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. DAVID J. SCOTT

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be brigadier general

COL. JAMES N. STEWART

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601: